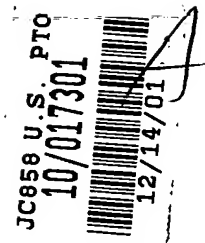


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for Magnetic Sensing Element with Improved Sensitivity and Method for Making the Same.

Enclosed are:

- ☐ Preliminary Amendment with attached Appendix A
- ☒ 184 pages of application (including title page and Abstract), 32 sheets of formal drawings and the following Appendices: N/A
- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application
- ☒ Assignment transmittal letter and Assignment of the invention to: Alps Electric Co., Ltd.
- ☒ Submission of Certified Copy of Priority Document and certified copy of Japanese Application Nos. 2000-390815, 2000-390849, 2001-125605, and 2001-125631
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449, and references A1-A2

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